



# South Denver #93 Trestleboard

Stated communications the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of each month September–May  
Dinners at 6:30 pm - \$10 Lodge opens at 7:15 pm www.SouthDenver93.org



## CALENDAR – May 2015

### May 5 – Stated Communication

Dinner 6:30 – Fried Chicken  
Ladies and Guests Invited  
Lodge opens 7:15  
“Math, Nature, and Masonry, Part 2”  
Presented by Brother Michael Madura  
Ladies and Guests Program – 7:15  
“Colorado Legislative Session”  
Presented by Gwen Lipkie

### May 12 – Officers Practice – 6:00 pm

All Masons welcome

### May 19 – Stated Communication

Lodge opens 5:30 – Labor to Refreshment  
Dinner 6:30 – Please RSVP for dinner  
Featuring Chicken Cicero  
Ladies and Guests Invited  
Lodge 7:15 – Special open presentation for  
all Masons, Ladies, and Guests  
Presentation of the “Jefferson Violin”  
Worshipful Brother Dr. John Trainor  
Grand Musician, Grand Lodge of Colorado

### May 26 – Fellowship Night

Time and place to be announced  
All Masons welcome

### May 27 – Visit to East Denver #160

Lodge opens at 6:30  
“Why We Use Symbols in Masonry”  
Presented by WB Aaron Klostermeyer  
All Masons welcome

### May 28 – Finance Committee Meeting

6:30, All Masons welcome

### Officers for 2015

Curtis A. Lipkie	Worshipful Master
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Andrew Schnackenberg	Junior Warden
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William F. Milnor	Tiler

## Greetings from the East...

"To whom so much is given, much is expected."

To the Brethren of South Denver,

In the degrees of Freemasonry we reaffirm our love of “the Seven Liberal Arts and Sciences”, and among the most majestic is Music, where we hear that “few are they who have not felt its power, and acknowledged its expression to be intelligible to the heart”. Masons are not the only one who have felt the power of music, for it has touched the souls of mankind throughout history.

President Thomas Jefferson was one of those who felt the power of music. In his writings, he names music the "favorite passion of my soul." This is an amazing statement coming from a man with such varied interests in science, architecture, and government. Some Masonic historians have claimed him to be a Brother of the Fraternity, but no direct documentation supports the claim. But there is no disagreement that he was a gentleman of the Age of Enlightenment, and his interests and life paralleled the tenets of Masonry.

The violin was the instrument of love for Thomas Jefferson. Some historians of the age say he became quite accomplished, and was praised for entertaining his guests at Monticello. Jefferson would often perform on his violin, accompanied by with his wife, Martha Skelton, on the harpsichord. Jefferson was so passionate about playing the violin, he wrote that he would practice his violin for 3 hours a day.

Thomas Jefferson’s violin is in the possession of the Grand Lodge of Colorado, and is on display at the Grand Lodge Museum in Colorado Springs. South Denver Lodge #93 is proud to announce that the “Jefferson Violin” will be making an appearance on May 19 at our stated communication. The “Jefferson Violin” will be presented in an open forum for all Masons, family, and friends by Worshipful Brother Dr. John Trainor, Grand Musician of the Grand Lodge of Colorado. Dr. Trainor is a distinguished musician, educator, scholar, and historian, and his presentation will include the history of the “Jefferson Violin”, as well as playing the violin for our enjoyment.

In Masonry we learn from the ancient tradition of “mouth to ear”. On May 19, it will be everyone’s opportunity to hear with their own ears, the music from the same violin that stirred the passions of Thomas Jefferson. Please join us to celebrate a night of music, history, fellowship, and America.

Fraternally yours,

Curtis A. Lipkie, Worshipful Master  
South Denver Lodge #93

## Message from the West...

As you know, the Memorial Day holiday falls on the last Monday in May. One of the great traditions surrounding Memorial Day is the decoration of the graves of fallen soldiers. In cemeteries across the nation, family members and volunteers adorn headstones with red poppies, an act inspired by the poem “In Flanders Fields” by John McCrae, a Canadian veteran of World War I.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow  
Between the crosses, row on row,  
That mark our place; and in the sky  
The larks, still bravely singing, fly  
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago  
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,  
Loved and were loved, and now we lie  
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe:  
To you from failing hands we throw  
The torch; be yours to hold it high.  
If ye break faith with us who die  
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields.

So, if you pass by a military cemetery this Memorial Day holiday and notice the beautiful, bright red poppies, say a prayer of thanks for the brave men and women who sacrificed so much for our nation. I hope you have a blessed, restful Memorial Day holiday

Fraternally yours,  
Todd Warburton, Senior Warden

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## **From whence he came... ...your Treasurer**

I was born and raised in La Junta Colorado where I attended one year of college, went into the Army from and returned to, married the mother of my three children, went through the agony of the loss of the first child and was later divorced.

After the divorce, I heard about a Public Affairs National Guard Unit in Denver, so I enlisted in the Guard in La Junta and in 1977, made the move to Denver when a job opened up in that Denver Guard Unit. That job is what has led to my career and eventual retirement. After discharge, I spent ten years at the airport, first at Stapleton and then DIA.

Even though my grandfather and uncles were Masons, the thought of Masonry was never much on my mind until one day in early 1991, I overheard co-workers talking about it. I asked what it was all about and before I had even heard of that speeding train, I was Initiated, passed and raised in Inspiration Lodge #143, placed in line and was Master in 1998.

The Brother who was my 2nd line signer for Lodge in 1991 became my 1st line signer for the Scottish Rite in 1992. I spent a lot of time that year at THAT gun shop on South Broadway, practicing this or that ritual or simply enjoying conversations about life in general and Masonry in particular with the Brother who became my Brother, my friend, my mentor.

I have been told that I have developed some expertise in Ritual over the years and perhaps this is so. I know that Ritual is that niche I found that I tell any new Mason he must find, in order not to be overwhelmed by it all.

I have received unexpected honors at the Consistory over the years for just doing what I thought any Mason should be doing, helping others, never once expecting any type of reward. At Lodge, I practice that same principle. I am honored to serve South Denver Lodge #93 as Treasurer or in whatever capacity I can to help the Lodge.

The toughest thing I have experienced in Masonry since 1991 was when the Brother mentioned above, who was my friend, my Brother and my Mentor and who was a two time Past Master of South Denver #93, one Ikey Starks, had made the written request before his passing, that I be a part of his Consistory Rose Croix Service after his passing. I hope it went well. The tears were flowing too hard for me to notice.

I began traveling down a new fork in that road of Masonic endeavors, which never ends, some 2 ½ years ago when I became a member of the Order of the Eastern Star. I currently serve my Chapter as Associate Patron.

Today, I enjoy the love and friendship of family: my daughter, son-in-law and three wonderful grandchildren just a few miles down the road and the love and friendship of my Masonic Brethren, who are everywhere.

Fraternally yours,  
John A. Warren, P.M., Treasurer

**LIVING & ACTIVE PAST MASTERS**

Edward Singleton	1964 & 1988
Floyd C. Simmons	1966
David M. Naiman	1968 & 1989
Donald F. Schultz	1969
Wayne G. Arner	1974
Harold E. Naiman	1975
Clinton E. Bromley	1976
Michael E. Hessel	1978 & 1984
Gerald A. Ford	1979 + %
John H. Buchanan	1980 ^ *
Raymond G. Hanson Jr.	1984
Stephen J. Kaplan	1986
David J. Thomas	1990
Gary Wm. Noth	1992
James C. Emas	1992
Gary Hanneman	1993
Thomas M. Laughlin	1993
Ronald L. Bush	1994
David Wilkerson	1996
Phillip Coomber	1997 * §
Ronald R. Kammerzell	1998
John Warren	1998 *
Bryan P. Schultz	2000 & 2004
Burney Brandel	2002
Clinton Keithline	2003
Jaime Gatseos	2005
Alfred Ulibarri	2006
Christopher Staton	2007
Mark Ellsworth (Honorary)	2007
Christopher Ross	2009
Daniel A. Rivers	2010
Matthew Simmons	2011
L. Bryant Harris	2012
Joseph L. Mitchell	2013
Scott Olson	2014

**AFFILIATED:**

Charles F. Fraley  
Ben Williams

% Past Grand Master of Masons

+ Past Grand Secretary

^ Past Grand Lecture

\* Past Grand Orator

§ Honorary Member

**Dispensation Granted:** February 9, 1893

**Charter Granted:** September 20, 1893

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